

Docket No. 105456.101



PATENT

#5/A
BP
4-11-02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
Hull et al.

Serial No. : **09/546,399**

Group Art Unit: 2787

Filed: **04/10/2000**

Examiner:

For: **CHEMICAL STRUCTURE SIMILARITY RANKING SYSTEM AND COMPUTER-
IMPLEMENTED METHOD FOR SAME**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed before an Office Action with the above-referenced application. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please add claim 21 as indicated on the attached Appendix A. Also attached is the full set of claims including the added claim, in Appendix B.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to improve the form of the specification and claims as originally filed. The Related Applications Section has been corrected to more appropriately claim

06/07/2001 ETULU1 00000034 080219 09546399

01 FC:103 18.00 CH
02 FC:102 80.00 CH